Hamlet

Characters:

Hamlet- main character, king hamlet and Gertrude’s son, hates his uncle, speaks to his fathers ghost, sometimes acts before he thinks, loves Ophelia, dies

Claudius- hamlets uncle, killed king hamlet, current king of denmark, only cares about power, married Gertrude, dies

Gertrude- hamlet’s mom, queen, poisoned and dies

Polonius- father of Laertes and Ophelia, hamlet kills him

Horatio- hamlets best friend, tells the story of hamlet after he dies

Ophelia- polonius’ daughter, sister to Laertes, listens to her dad and brother, sings random songs about flowers, drowns

Fortinbras- prince of Norway, Fortinbras (the older one) was killed by the king hamlet, wants to attack denmark to get revenge

Laertes- mad at hamlet for killing his father, fights and dies

Basic Plot

King hamlet is said to be killed while in the garden by a snake. Claudius, King hamlets brother, marries the queen and little hamlets mom, Gertrude. 2 guards see a ghost that resembles KH and tells Hamlet. Hamlet talks to the ghost and finds out that Claudius poured venom into the ear of KH to kill him. Hamlet makes a play that relates what happens to KH and Claudius freaks out about it and feels guilty. Hamlet tries to tell his mom the story and Polonius is in the room hiding, and he makes a noise and hamlet stabs him. Laertes comes to town. Ophelia drowns. Laertes and Claudius scheme to kill Hamlet. Laertes puts poison on his sword so if it scratches hamlet he will die, and Claudius gets a drink and puts poison in it so if hamlet drinks it he’ll die. Laertes and Hamlet fight and hamlet is winning, Claudius offers the drink but he doesn’t drink it, Gertrude drinks it. Laertes is stabbed and hamlet is too, laertes tells hamlet what the plan was and L dies. Hamlet kills Claudius. Hamlet then dies. Horatio tells people what happened.

Theme:

Pretty much, every choice has a consequence, and the truth will always be revealed.